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Sent: 8/5/2013 9:16:29 PM
To: MacIntyre, Mark [Macintyre.Mark@epa.gov]
Subject: RE: Here are answers to your questions (Still working on the total NPL Site Count)
Attachments: CERCLIS_ActiveSitesIdahoMontanaWyoming20130805.xls

Hi, Mark:

I checked on the Region 8 web pages, and there are no phosphate mining sites either proposed or final on the Superfund National Priorities List in either Montana or Wyoming – or Utah, though I don't think that state is considered to be in the "greater Yellowstone area." Hopefully, you can get a quick count for Region 10 from your Superfund program.

As far as non-NPL sites, I did a quick CERCLIS search, and there are currently 215 "active" sites of all kinds in Idaho, Montana, and Wyoming, but I did not go through them to try and determine which sites were in the vicinity of Yellowstone or if they were associated with phosphate mining (see attached Excel spreadsheet). If more information is needed on those sites, it will probably require coordination with the respective site assessment or removal program in each region. Please let me know if you have any questions, or if you need additional information.

Thank you!

Joe

From: MacIntyre, Mark
Sent: Monday, August 05, 2013 1:53 PM
To: Anne Minard
Subject: Here are answers to your questions (Still working on the total NPL Site Count)

Ann: here are the answers to your RCRA Pond questions.....we are still working on a total NPL site count (We have asked Region 8 for Utah and Wyoming NPL-listed sites too!)

I know the RCRA ponds are numbered up to 18, but some references say there are only 8 total. How many are there?

Depends on how you count. Either 8, if you count the 4 Phase IV ponds as 1, or 11, if you count them individually.

How many acres do they occupy? The combined ponds cover 61.5 acres.

2. I know the calciner pond is lined. Are the others?

Of the 8 RCRA ponds at the site, 7 are lined.

3. What is the difference between most of the RCRA ponds and the calciner pond?

The wastes (calciner vs phosphorous) and the fact that the calciner ponds are not within the exterior boundary of the Ft Hall Reservation.

4. As far as you know, were the ponds ever covered prior to the 1999 consent decree that ordered them to be capped? What was the timeline on installing the caps?

The 8 ponds were closed subsequent to the consent decree, between December 1999 and November 2005.

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